SPECIAL TOPIC: The Superiority of the New Covenant Over the Mosaic Covenant

I. A basic outline of the book

Heb. 1:1-3	Superiority of the Son over the prophets
Heb. 1:4-2:18	Superiority of the Son over the angels
Heb. 3:1-4:13; 4:14-5:10	Superiority of the Son over the Mosaic Covenant
Heb. 6:13-7:28	Superiority of the Son over the Aaronic Priesthood
Heb. 5:11-6:12	Superiority of the believing Jews over the unbelieving Jews
Heb. 8:1-10:18	Superiority of the Son over the procedures of the Mosaic Covenant
Heb. 10:19-13:25	Superiority of the Son advocated and revealed in believers

This is an example of the rabbinical hermeneutic called "Lesser to Greater."
For a full discussion of this subject see the free online exegetical notes of the book of Hebrews.

II. List of theological emphases

Heb. 1:1-3 (the prophets)	He is the superior revelation
Heb. 1:4-2:18 (angels)	He is the superior mediator
Heb. 3:1-6 (Moses)	He is the superior servant
Heb. 4:14-5:10; 6:13-7:28 (Aaron)	He is the superior priest
Heb. 8:1-13; 9:15-22 (OT)	He is the superior covenant
Heb. 9:1-11,23-28 (temple)	He is the superior sanctuary
Heb. 9:12-14; 10:1-18 (animals)	He is the superior sacrifice
Heb. 12:18-29 (old covenant at Mt. Sinai and new covenant at Mt. Zion)	He is the superior mountain

III. In light of Jesus' superiority there is a series of warnings against rejecting His gospel (i.e., the New Covenant, cf. Jer. 31:31-34; Ezek. 36:22-38) or reverting to Judaism (i.e., Old Covenant).

Heb. 2:1-4

Heb. 3:7-4:13

Heb. 5:11-6:12

Heb. 10:19-39

Heb. 12:14-29

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